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To the AUTHOR *of the* UNIVERSAL SPECTATOR.

SIR,

HERE is nothing I have taken more Delight in, ſince I have been acquainted with Books, than to *compare with themſelves* the Works of eminent Authors; I mean, the *different Editions* of the ſame Pieces that have been publiſh'd while the Authors were living, or from corrected Copies that they left behind them in their own Hand Writing.

From this Kind of Entertainment I gather in general two uſeful Leſſons; the Imperfection of the greateſt *human Genius*, which is always capable of receiving new Lights; and the Honeſty and Induſtry which conſtantly unite in the Purſuit of *true Excellence*, and which are not aſham'd to own their Obligations to the Remarks of others, to farther Labour, or even to Accident.

Our modern *Celſus*, Dr. MEAD, has given me great Pleaſure, in his new Edition of *A mechanical Account of Poiſons*, by owning that at the Time he firſt wrote and publiſhed that Piece, he was unacquainted with the Properties of the *nervous Fluid*, upon which, however, his whole Theory chiefly depends. A Writer of leſs Candour, after a Book of his had been above forty Years in the higheſt Repute, would have choſe rather to weaken the Evidence of *later Experience*, than to own he had once been ſo eſſentially *miſtaken*. He would rather have thrown away many Volumes in *Defence of one*, than have taken Pains to bring that one to a *juſt Standard*.

But the Men this Letter has chiefly in view are the *great Poets*, who beyond all other Writers labour to correct and improve their *Thoughts*, to poliſh and heighten their *Diction*. I have often wiſh'd we had now extant all the *Additions*, *Alterations*, and *Defalcations*, made by the exact VIRGIL in his highly finiſh'd *Paſtorals* and *Georgics*, before he gave them to the Public; and what were the *Paſſages* that ſtill diſpleaſed him in his *Eneis*, that he reſolved to have amended before he look'd upon that Poem as *finiſh'd*, and which Emendations he thought ſo much *wanting* to the Perfection of the Piece, that we are aſſured he upon his Death-Bed deſired to have the *whole* committed to the Flames.

In the beſt Editions of BOILEAU we have not only the *Alterations* made by that Poet at different Times, but ſome times the *Difficulties* that ſtuck with him, which to a Man of leſs Delicacy might have ſeem'd trifling, and prevented the Publication of ſome of his beſt Pieces when they might have paſs'd for finiſh'd.—I think the Correction of a *ſingle Hemiſtic*, which at laſt was effected only by the Tranſpoſition of two Monoſyllables, occaſion'd him once a Retardation of ſeveral Months. Dr. GARTH, while he liv'd, was always giving *new Touches* to his *Diſpenſary*, tho' that Poem, at its firſt Appearance, was look'd upon to be almoſt inimitably excellent. We have lately had a new Edition of *the Seaſons* by the very ingenious Author, wherein the Advertiſement tells us above a *thouſand Lines* are added.

But no Man, I take it, was ever a more *ſevere Reviſer* of his own Works than the late great Mr. POPE. What I am going to ſay may ſeem in me to favour of *Vanity*; but I aſſure you, Mr. STONECASTLE, it is ſtrictly *true*. I have ſet myſelf down, when he has firſt publiſh'd *a Piece*, to mark the Lines that I thought *leaſt pleas'd him*, and which I expected to ſee him alter in another Impreſſion; and more than *once*, as I could if it was needful give Inſtances, I have been *right* in my Opinion.

Seldom has a Poem come out ſo *highly finiſhed*, never one more *el ſely curis* than *the Eſſay on Man*; and yet I muſt own I always thought there were two Lines in it that might very well be *ſpared*, as by no Means of a *Piece* with thoſe they came among. I was pleas'd therefore to ſee them omitted in Mr. WARBURTON's late Edition, publiſh'd according to the *Author's Corrections*. I think they are the only Couplet that has undergone exactly the ſame Fortune. The Poet is teaching that nothing is made wholly for *itſelf*, when after theſe Lines,

* While Man exclaims, 'ſee all Things for my Uſe,'
'See Man for mine,' replies a pamper'd Gooſe.

He had the following:

What Care to tend, to lodge, to cram, to treat him?
All this he knows, but not that 'tis to eat him.

There is a kind of *Aſſonance* in the *Expreſſion* unuſual with Mr. POPE, which, with the *double Rhimes*, ſeem to have too much of the Air of *Doggerel*. Beſides, the *Thought* is ſufficiently expreſs'd without this Addition, as the whole Context ſerves to explain it.

But tho' this was the ſingle Paſſage that could be cut off, the excellent Poet ſaw many Occaſions to new turn, add, and illuſtrate. As Mr. WARBURTON has not thought proper to diſtinguiſh thoſe Places in his Edition, I imagine the Readers of the *Eſſay*, which I take to be all Lovers either of fine Morality or good Poetry, will be oblig'd to me for the principal of them that occur'd to me, in comparing this Edition with one I had by me publiſh'd in 1735. Firſt of the Verſes new turn'd.

Ep. I. v. 63. *When the dull Ox, why now he bra'ſ the Clod,*
Now wears a Garland, an Ægyptian God.

The laſt Line alter'd into,

Is now a Victim, and now Ægypt's God.

Ver. 123. Inſtead of—*In reaſ'ning Pride, my Friend*—
We have—*In Pride, in reaſ'ning Pride*—

Ep. II. v. 21, 22. For,

Show by what Laws the wandring Planets ſtray,
Correct old Time, and teach the Sun his Way.

We read,

Inſtruct the Planets in what Orbs to run,
Correct old Time, and regulate the Sun.

Ep. IV. v. 25. We have the two following Lines

One grants his Pleaſure is but Reſt from Pain;
One doubts of all; one owns ev'n Virtue vain.

Thus paraphras'd,

Some, ſunk to Beaſts, find Pleaſure end in Pain;
Some, ſwell'd to Gods, confeſs ev'n Virtue vain;
Or, Indolent, to each Extreme they fall,
To truſt in ev'ry Thing, or doubt of all.

V. 175 in one, in the other 185.

For Riches, can they give, but to the Juſt,
His own Contentment, or another's Truſt?

Thus alter'd,

To whom can Riches give Repute, or Truſt,
Content, or Pleaſure, but the Good and Juſt?

But as theſe Particulars may not be ſo worthy of notice as the Additions, I have been the leſs exact in collecting them. What I have taken Notes of in the latter Kind are as follow.

Ep. I. after ver. 72, the Poet having ſhewn that Man is as perfect as he ought with reſpect to the Univerſe, adds,

If to be perfect in a certain Sphere,
What Matter ſoon or late, or here or there?
The bleſt To-day is as completely ſo,
As who begun a thouſand Years ago.

In the ſame Epiſtle, after theſe Lines,

If Plagues or Earthquakes break not Heav'n Deſign,
Why then a BORGIA, *or a* CATALINE? We read,

Who knows but *He*, whoſe Hand the Light'ning forms,
Who heaves old Ocean, and who wings the Storms,
Pours fierce Ambition in a CÆSAR's Mind,
Or turns young AMMON looſe to ſcourge Mankind?

* Ep. III. V. 45. &c.

Some liveſier Plaything gives his Youth delight,
A little louder, but as empty quite;
Scarfs, Garters, Gold, amuſe his riper Stage;
And Beads and Pray'r-books are the Toys of Age:
Pleas'd with this Bauble ſtill, as that before,
Till tir'd he ſleeps, and Life's poor Play is o'er.

In Ep. III. after theſe four Lines on Reaſon and Inſtinct,

Reaſon, *however able, coſt at beſt,*
Cares not for Service, or but ſerves when preſs,
Stays till we call, and then not often near;
But honeſt Inſtinct *comes a Volunteer:*

Theſe other four are added,

Sure never to o'erſhoot, but juſt to hit,
While ſtill too wide or ſhort is human Wit;
Sure by quick Nature Happineſs to gain,
Which heavier Reaſon labours at in vain.

And towards the End, this Line,

His [Faith] *can't be wrong whoſe Life is in the right,*

Is greatly heighten'd by the new Couplet:

In Faith and Hope the World will diſagree,
But all Mankind's Concern is Charity.

In Ep. IV, proving that *External Goods* are not the Rewards of Virtue, nor the Means of Happineſs, after this Line,

Or public Spirit its great Cure, a Crown,

The Poet has added,

Weak, fooliſh Man! will Heav'n reward us there
With the ſame Truth mad Mortals wiſh for here?
The Boy and Man an Individual makes,
Yet ſigh'ſt thou now for Apples and for Cakes?
Go, like the *Indian*, in another Life
Expect thy Dog, thy Bottle, and thy Wife;
As well as dream ſuch Trifles are aſſign'd,
As Toys and Empires, for a Godlike Mind.

Theſe, Mr STONECASTLE, I believe to be all the entire *new Lines* in this celebrated Poem. Why the learned Commentator did not point them out I am at a Loſs to determine, eſpecially as Mr. POPE himſelf had given the Example in *former Editions* of his Works, where we trace the Hiſtory of his Thoughts in the *Alterations* and *Additions* printed at the Bottom of the Pages.

It is alſo a little ſtrange, ſince this great Critic has retain'd ſome of Mr. POPE's own Notes on *the Eſſay*, that he had not ſhewn this Favour to thoſe uſeful *References* from one Part of the Poem to another, by which the Author ſhews where he reſumes and purſues a Thought which he for the preſent drops to take up ſome other. This, in my Opinion, had been a Kind of *Index* not leſs uſeful than what he has preſerved in the Table of Analytical Contents before the Work.

In Mr. WARBURTON's own Notes we ſee the *Droits*

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Conſtantinople, Feb. 13. The Perſian Kan, that lately came over and enter'd into the Service of the Porte, has been ſent to Diarbekir, where he is to command an Army of 50,000 Men, in Conjunction with the Baſhaw of that Country. The Grand Signor has given him 500 Purſes for the Pay of the Troops. This Kan is reckon'd a very good General. As ſoon as this Army is aſſembled, it will go and join that under the Command of the Seraſkier Jeyen Baſhaw, who is in the Neighbourhood of Kars. The Porte has augmented all the Taxes and Impoſts by 15 *per Cent.* in order to defray the Charges of the War, which the Grand Signor has reſolv'd to carry on with all poſſible Vigour.

The Embaſſadors and Foreign Miniſters reſiding here, having been invited a few Days ago to a Conference at the Grand Vizir's Palace, this Prime Miniſter made them a very pathetick Speech on all the Evils that wait upon War; and then told them, that the Grand Signor having maturely conſider'd the great Prejudice done to Trade by the Diſſentions and Hoſtilities among the Chriſtian Princes, he thought fit to offer them his Mediation: That his Highneſs had wrote to them on this Head, and that he did not doubt but they would give him ſatisfactory Anſwers.

Petersbourg, Feb. 16. Yeſterday his Excellency the Lord Tyrawly, his Britannick Majeſty's Embaſſador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, had his Audience of Leave of the Empreſs, and of the Great Duke and Dutcheſs.

Berlin, March 16. Yeſterday Morning the King ſet out for Sileſia accompanied by Prince Ferdinand of Brunſwick Wolffembuttle, Major General Rothenbourg, and Count Wartenſleben, Adjutant-General.

Madrid, March 2. We hear from Cadiz, that the Chevalier de Piofin came back to that Port the 24th of laſt Month with his Squadron conſiſting of five Men of War, and that M. de la Jonquiere was ſtill cruizing off Cape St. Mary with the like Number of Ships.

Menatz, March 16. The 13th Inſtant the whole Army under Marſhal Maillebois paſs'd the Mayn; during which Paſſage ſeveral Detachments march'd forwards in order to drive the Allies from the Poſts they occupied in the Plain: But the latter having been timely inform'd of the Approach of the French Army, they retir'd in pretty good order, and had but ſeven or eight Men kill'd, and a few taken Priſoners on this Occaſion.

The next Day M. Maillebois having view'd the Poſt of Cronenburgh, where there was a ſmall Body of Hanoverian Troops, he ſummon'd them to ſurrender Priſoners of War; which being refus'd his Excellency order'd the Place to be batter'd with three Pieces of Cannon. The Hanoverians anſwer'd them with ſome Diſcharges from a few ſmall Field Pieces and defended themſelves three Quartes of an Hour, after which they ſurrender'd Priſoners of War. This Corps was compos'd of a few Companies draughted from the Regiments of Sommerfeldt, Soubiron and Maxuel, Infantry, and 40 Troopers of Verden's Regiment, and ſix Huſſars, making together 465 Men beſides a Colonel, a Lieutenant Colonel, a Major, four Captains, four Lieutenants, and three Enſigns; who have all been ſent to Landau.

Francfort, March 18. General Count Lowendahl arrived Yeſterday at Marſhal Maillebois's Head Quarters at Hoechſt. The Body of Troops he has brought from the Moſelle paſs'd the Rhine a few Days ago at Oppenheim, and as ſoon as they have join'd the Marſhal his Excellency will reſume his March in queſt of the Allies.

The Hanoverian Troops are retreating towards the Lahne, and the other Troops of the Allies that were on that River are repaſſing it.

P. S. We have juſt receiv'd Advice that the Allies are aſſembling in three Bodies in the Neighbourhood of Weilbourg, in order to wait there for the Troops of Munſter, who are actually on the March.

Copenhagen, March 14. Mr. Titley, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Great Britain, has receiv'd Orders to make Propoſals to this Court, for taking a Body of 6000 Foot and 2000 Horſe into his Britannick Majeſty's Pay, to be employ'd on the Rhine or in the Netherlands. The French Miniſter here leaves no Stone unturn'd to defeat this Negotiation.

Hague, March 19.

Declaration of the Empreſs of Ruſſia, deliver'd in Writing to the Britiſh Miniſters reſiding at Peterſburgh.

Whereas her Imperial Majeſty of all the Ruſſias has been lately requeſted by his Majeſty the King of Pruſſia to employ her Mediation for putting an End to the preſent War, and Anſwer has been made to that Prince, that the Empreſs was ready to take ſuch a Mediation upon herſelf alone, her Imperial Majeſty would not delay giving Orders for imparting the ſame to his Majeſty the King of Great Britain.

His Excellency the Embaſſador, Lord Tyrawley, and the Miniſter Plenipotentiary, Earl of Hyndford, will be pleas'd, in giving an Account thereof to their Court, to add, that her Imperial Majeſty having nothing ſo much at Heart as to ſee Peace reſtor'd among the Powers at War, heſitates the leſs to apply herſelf diligently and zealouſly to accelerate a general Pacification, becauſe her Impartiality in the Troubles of Europe, and her peculiar Friendſhip for his Majeſty the King of Great Britain, being, as we flatter ourſelves, well enough known, ſhe thinks thereby to anticipate the Wiſhes of the King and his Allies, who have hitherto earneſtly deſir'd to attain to ſo ſalutary an End.

In this Perſuaſion it is not doubted but that the King will communicate this Declaration to her Majeſty the Queen of Hungary and Bohemia, and give a ſpeedy Anſwer, and at the ſame time explain himſelf in regard to the Place where the Congreſs may be held. The Empreſs is diſpos'd to convince him more and more of her high Eſteem, and give him freſh Proofs of the Regard ſhe will have for his Intereſt, as well as of the Care ſhe will take to preſerve and cement the Union ſubſiſting between the two Courts.

Done at Petersbourgh the 3d of February, 1745.

Hague, March 21. The Grand Vizir has writ, by Order of the Grand Signor, a Letter to the King of Great Britain and the States General, in which he repreſents to them, in very pathetick Terms, 'That War 'is a very great Evil: That it very much impedes the 'Commerce of the Levant; and that his Highneſs ex- 'horts his Britannick Majeſty and their High Mighti- 'neſſes to apply themſelves to the Reſtoration of Peace: After which he adds, 'That the Sublime Emperor his 'Maſter, offers his high Mediation to the Powers at 'War, to aſſiſt them in terminating their Differences in 'an amicable Manner.' The Grand Vizir has ſent Letters to the ſame Purpoſe, to the other Courts of Europe with whom the Porte lives in a good Underſtanding. This Step occaſions Abundance of Speculations, and conſiderate Men plainly ſee that the Ottoman Miniſtry are become very refined Politicians within theſe few Years.

Paris, March 19. The Count de Clermont is appointed to command ſome important Siege deſign'd to be undertaken in Flanders, and is preparing to ſet out for Valenciennes, where is to be the general Rendezvous of the King's Army, which will conſiſt of 98 Battalions and 150 Squadrons. All the Officers belonging to the Troops in Bavaria, Italy, Flanders, and elſewhere, are ordered to their reſpective Poſts. In a Word, every Thing is getting ready here for a vigorous Campaign. Our laſt Advices from Lyons bring, that we have been obliged to cauſe ſix Battalions of regular Troops to enter that City, to appeaſe the tumultuous Meetings of the Populace, which have again broke out among the Weavers, Manufacturers, and their Employers. 'Tis alſo added, that ſix or ſeven of the principal Ringleaders having been taken up, the reſt were diſperſed. The King has ſent the Count de Lautrec thither, to make a particular Enquiry into the Cauſe of thoſe Differences, and it's hop'd that that Lord will be able to accommodate that whole Affair to the Satisfaction of the Court, and the Parties intereſted.

IRELAND.

Dublin, March 9. Laſt Week died the Rev. Mr. Higginſon, Rector of Ballintoy, a Gentleman of univerſal good Character, whoſe Death is much lamented.

The Rev. and Hon. Mr. Skeffington (Brother to the Rt. Hon. the Lord Viſcount Massareene) ſucceeds the late Rev. Mr. Barry, in his Living, which is in the Gift of the Right Hon. the Earl of Donnegall.

Laſt Tueſday, at an Adjournment of the Quarter Seſſions, one Brennan, a Maltſter, who lives at the King's Head in Thomas's-Street, was convicted of being a common Cheat, for ſelling Malt and buying Corn by a Beam that was an Inch ſhorter at one End than the other; by which Means, on changing the Scales, he defrauded both Buyer and Seller moſt enormouſly; a Practice not hitherto detected, but thought to be frequent, and of which all People ſhould beware. It is thought, tho' he is not yet ſentenc'd, that he will meet with a Puniſhment due to the Enormity of his Crime.

Laſt Week were diſpoſed of in this City, 14 Gold Lavers, Value of each about 12 l. Sterling, in Shape like the Guard of a Sword, with two Cups, one at each End, that would hold about two Spoonfuls of Liquid each; they are uſed by the Jews in their Synagogues in offering Incenſe and Myrrh. They were found about two Feet under Ground, and turned up by a Man who was ploughing a Bog that had been drained in the County of Lowth near Drogheda, and it is thought they had lain there ſeveral hundred Years.

The Two Brothers, bound to Londonderry, with 800 Hogſheads of Flaxſeed, and the Sarah, to Colerain, with 300 Hogſheads of ditto, both from New York, are taken by a French Privateer, and carried into Martinico.

SCOTLAND.

Port of Leith, March 11. Yeſterday arriv'd the following Veſſels, viz. The Katharine, of and from Falmouth, Jaſper Millar, loaden with Wheat, who gives an Account, that he met Whitby betwixt the Scares and the Shore, and likewiſe ſays, that the Dogger Privateer had got in amongſt a Fleet of Colliers, who were attended by a Man of War, and were riding at Anchor all very Snug; but one of the Colliers knew her, and went and acquainted the Captain of the Man of War, that he was ſure, if ſhe was above Water, it was no other, and that ſhe had done great Damage on the Coaſt; adviſing him to take no Notice of her for ſome Time; for he ſaid, if once he thought himſelf diſcover'd, he wou'd cut, and no Ship there could come up with her: He ſo far followed their Advice; and when he thought they would leaſt ſuſpect him, he bore down upon her; which the Dogger perceiving, was cutting his Cable, but before it was quite through, the Man of War pour'd in a Broadſide upon him, and took him, and found ſeveral Ranſomers on board.

Edinburgh, March 12. The Ships of Meſſieurs Brown, Ediſon, and Muir, of Borrowſtounneſs, are arriv'd in the Frith, alſo two Ships from Montroſe. They came in Company from Holland without Convoy, and landed in the Frith about 150 Officers, Serjeants, and other Recruiting Aſſiſtants, for levying 24 Additional Companies to the three Scots Regiments in the Service of their High Mightineſſes. Theſe Officers left their Regiments the Cloſe of laſt Month, viz. Coalier's, at Charleroy; Mackay's, at Tournay; and Villegas's at Sluys in Flanders, all waiting Orders to take the Field.

We have certain Accounts, that the Ship Hopeful of Leith, John Heriot, Maſter, was taken by a French Privateer hard by Holy Iſland the 28th paſt, in her Voyage from Norway with Timber; and has been ſince ranſom'd.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Newcaſtle, March 13. Capt. William Forſter, of Sutherland, has retaken the Dolphin, of Scarborough, Capt. Walker, and carried her into Middlebourg. She had ten

LONDON.

Today his Majesty went to the House of Peers, and gave the Royal Assent to,

An Act for granting and continuing the Duties upon Malt, and upon Red and White Herrings, for the Term of 6 Years, &c.

An Act for granting to his Majesty several Additional Duties upon all Wines imported into Great Britain.

An Act for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the due Payment of the Army and their Quarters.

An Act for the speedy Recruiting his Majesty's Regiments of Foot, and Marines.

Also several Road Bills, &c.

Sir Everard Faulkener, Knt. is appointed Secretary to the Duke of Cumberland, Generalissimo of the Forces of the Allied Armies in Flanders.

The Lords of the Admiralty have appointed Capt. Forbes to be Captain of the Sandwich, a 90 Gun Ship.

Last Saturday Captain Stevens was unanimously chosen an Elder of the Trinity-House, in the room of Capt. Robert Kitle, deceas'd. There were present the Dukes of Richmond and Bedford, the Earl of Sandwich, Admiral Vernon, and several other Persons of Distinction.

Thursday se'nnight was held a Court of Aldermen at Guildhall, when Sir Edward Bellamy accepted of a Removal from Billingsgate Ward, of which he is Alderman, to the Ward of Bridge Without, in the Room of Sir John Eyles, deceased; Sir Robert Baylis and Sir William Billers having both declin'd it. And

Last Saturday came on the Election of an Alderman for Cornhill Ward, in his Room, when Thomas Winterbottom, Esq; an eminent Packer in Philpot-Lane, was chosen without Opposition.

Yesterday se'nnight died, at his House at Tooting in Surrey, in an advanced Age, Sir Harcourt Masters, Knt. Alderman of Coleman-street Ward: He was chosen into the said Office the 2d of December, 1718, in the room of Sir James Bateman, during the Time he was Sheriff of this City; was one of the Directors of the South-Sea Company in the Year 1720; and was disabled by Act of Parliament from serving the high Office of Lord-Mayor, or any other Place of Trust. And the same Day, at a General Meeting of the said Court, at Armourers and Brasiers Hall, it was unanimously agreed to elect Robert Alsop, Esq; Alderman thereof.

Monday the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor held a Wardmote at Armourers-Hall, for the Choice of an Alderman of Coleman-Street Ward, in the room of Sir Harcourt Masters, deceas'd, when Robert Alsop, Esq; was chosen without Opposition.

Last Sunday Mr. Child, an eminent wholesale Tobacconist in Goodman's-Fields, was married at St. Mary's, Lambeth, to Miss Leland, only Daughter of Capt. Leland, an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 8000l.

Monday Morning, about One o'Clock died, at his House in Adington-Street, Piccadilly, of an Inflammation in his Lungs, aged 71 Years, the Right Hon. Robert Walpole, Baron of Houghton, and Earl of Orford, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, and one of his Majesty's Most Hon. Privy Council. His first Wife was Katharine Shorter, Daughter of John Shorter, of Bybrook in the County of Kent, Esq; by whom he had Issue three Sons, viz. the present Lord Walpole, Edward and Horatio, and two Daughters, Katharine and Mary; the former dy'd young, the latter was married to the present Right Hon. Lord Cholmondeley, and since deceas'd. By his Death a Pension of 4000l. per Annum reverts to the Crown.

Wednesday se'nnight died very rich, at Guildford in Surrey, the Rev. Mr. Thomas Cawkitt, many Years Preacher at Godalmin, and has left all his Effects to Mrs. Butter, his Daughter-in-Law, and her two Children, the Wife of Mr. Robert Butter, of Fenchurch-Street.

Thursday se'nnight died at Croydon, Mr. Hanks, Riding Officer of the Customs for the County of Surrey, and last Tuesday Mr. Adderstone was appointed to succeed him.

Yesterday se'nnight died, after a tedious Indisposition, Mr. Justice Chapple, one of the Judges of the Court of King's Bench.

Monday died at Tooting in Surrey Mr. Hartwell, formerly an eminent Ironmonger in Rotherhithe, reputed worth 15,000l. the Bulk of which he has left to his Sister, a Maiden Gentlewoman, who lived with him many Years.

By Letters from Minorca we are inform'd, that the Hon. Archibald Carmichael, Esq; Brother to the Right Hon. the Earl of Hyndford, and Capt. in Col. Cotterell's Regiment of Marines, died there lately of a Fever, much regretted by all that knew him.

His Majesty has been pleased to present the Rev. Eden Howard, A. M. of Trinity-College, Cambridge, Chaplain to the Right Hon. the Lord Hervey, to the Rectory of Rendlesham, in the County of Suffolk.

His Majesty has been pleased to present the Rev. Mr. Gibbon Jones to the Rectory of Sudborn in the County of Suffolk and Diocese of Norwich.

The Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor has presented the Rev. Mr. John Samuel Hill to the Rectory of Essington, alias Easington in the County and Diocese of York.

The Right Hon. the Lord High Chancellor has presented the Rev. Mr. Bartholomew Fox to the Vicarage of Watford, in the County of Northampton and Diocese of Peterborough.

Thursday se'nnight the Rev. Mr. Taylor, Curate at St. James at Westminster, Preacher at Berwick-Street-Chapel, Rector of Etton in Northamptonshire, Commissary of Bedford, and Prebendary of Lincoln, was presented to the Archdeaconry of Bedford by his Father-in-Law, the Lord Bishop of Lincoln, to hold the same with his other Preferments.

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Thursday se'nnight the Rev. Mr. Pennel was presented to the Rectory of St. Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, Southwark, after a long and expensive Law-Suit about the Rights of Presentation; a Living worth 300l. a Year. And the same Day the Rev. Mr. Pennel appointed Mr. Edmund Ayres Clerk of the said Parish, a Place of 150l. a Year.

Letters from Flanders inform us, that they are going to open the Sluices of such Towns as are in any Danger of being surpriz'd by the French.

We have a Confirmation from Brussels, that all the Estates in the Netherlands belonging to the King of Prussia, have been seiz'd and sequester'd by Orders from Vienna.

They write from South-Carolina, that Capt. Hamer, in his Majesty's Ship the Flamborough, in a Cruize, came up with a large Ship, and as he found, when he came nearer, she was of 300 Tons, 22 Carriage and 30 Swivel Guns, he did not think it adviseable to engage her, but prepar'd to board her at once. The Enemy perceiving this, laid Powder, &c. under a false Deck, in order to have blown up the English as soon as they had boarded her; but the Powder accidentally took Fire, and blew up the Deck before Capt. Hamer could approach her, by which Means forty-three French and Spaniards were kill'd. The Enemy being by this Accident put into Confusion, they surrender'd to Captain Hamer, who has carried her into Charles-Town, and found her to be bound from the Havanna to Cadiz, and her Cargo consists of Tobacco, Hides, Indigo, Silver, and Gold, having on board upwards of 60,000 Dollars, and two Chests of Gold, each Chest containing 6000 Doubloons.

From Bristol we have an Account, that the Prince Charles Privateer is arriv'd there, and has brought in with her a French Martinico Ship of 250 Tons, which Ship had been taken by two British Men of War at the Leeward Islands and sent into St. Kitt's, from whence she was sent to England, but was retaken by the French, who had her five Days, and was retaken afterwards by the above Prince Charles Privateer.

The Matou, a French Privateer of 14 Carriage Guns and the same Number of Swivels, with 93 Men, was taken the 8th Instant off Tinmouth, by the St. Quintin Guard-Ship, and carry'd into the Humber.

Letters from Exeter, by Monday's Post, mention, that a Privater of Topsham was just arriv'd there from a Cruize, and reported as a Certainty, that the Grand Turk, and the Grande Biche, Privateers of St. Malo, had attack'd the Augusta Man of War, Capt. Hamilton, taking her for an East-India Man; and that, after the first or second Broadside from the Augusta, the Grand Turk sunk, with 400 Men in her, upon which the other struck.

Monday came an Account that the Shoreham Privateer, Capt. Milligen, and the Loestaff Privateer, Capt. Fielding, had taken and sent into Bantry Bay in Ireland, the two following French Ships from Martinico, viz. the African, Capt. Francis Thercelin, having on board 287 Hogsheads of Sugar, 100 Barrels of Coffee, and sundry Bales of Cotton, besides other Goods; and the Katherine, Capt. Screnton, having on board 180 Hogsheads of white Sugar, 146 Barrels of Coffee, with Indigo, Elephants Teeth, and other Goods. The Shoreham and Loestaff were left by those Prizes in Chace of seven more Ships that came out of Martinico with them.

By the Colchester Indiaman, arriv'd at Ireland, there is Advice, that Commodore Barnett, in the Medway, has taken, near the Cape of Good Hope, four French East-Indiamen homeward bound.

On the 13th Instant the Sutherland Privateer, Capt. Sutherland, being on a Cruize off Boulogne, gave Chace to a Brigantine, and was very near her; when a Dogger Privateer of 10 Guns came to the Assistance of the Brig. Capt. Sutherland exchang'd several Shot with the Dogger, and oblig'd her to run into Boulogne; but in the mean Time the Brig. also made her Escape thither.

A Brigantine from Madeira belonging to Cork, is taken by a Dogger Privateer of Boulogne, and was carried into that Place the 13th Instant.

The Susanna, Wood, from Falmouth for Civita Vecchia, was taken the 7th of last Month, 120 Leagues S. W. from the Lizard, by a French Man of War of 24 Guns, and carried into Port Louis.

The James and Peggy, Crowden, from Scotland to London, is taken and carried into Dunkirk.

The Advice, Cosgrave, from Dublin for Leghorn, is taken by the Spaniards, and carried into a Place near Cadiz.

Extract of a Letter from Bruges, dated March 9, O. S.

'Three Vessels from Ireland, laden with Butter and 'Cheese, for Ostend, for the Use of the Austrian Pro- 'vinces, and a French Ship laden with Fish for Dun- 'kirk, fell in with two Privateers, one belonging to 'Dunkirk, the other to Ostend; the latter took the 'French Ship, laden with Fish, and carried her into 'Ostend; and the French Privateer took one of the 'Irish Vessels, and carried her into Dunkirk; the 'other two Irish Vessels being prime Sailors, got 'clear of the French Privateer, and came safe into 'Ostend, with their Cargoes, which has supplied 'the Want of those Provinces with Butter and 'Cheese. And likewise last Night, about Twelve 'o'Clock, five Officers came to search the House we 'were in for two Persons that are supposed to be French 'Spies; after they had made a thorough Search 'throughout the Town, they found out the suspected 'Persons, who are to be examin'd, and if they prove 'to be Spies, are to be hang'd up immediately.'

A genuine Account of the late dreadful Hurricane at Jamaica, From the Gazette publish'd at Kingston Octob. 27, 1744.

'On Saturday the 20th Instant happened as great and 'dreadful a Storm as ever was known in this Part of 'the World. The Wind was at Eight in the Morning 'East and by North, after much Rain and squally 'Weather (which had been, and continued for many 'Days before). It began about Six in the Evening, and 'encreasing till about Twelve at Night with redoubled 'Fury, committed the most unheard of Devastations, 'which lasted till Three o'Clock in the Morning; the 'Wind was all that Time due South: The Storm con-

'tinued till Six. By the Impetuosity of this Hurricane, 'the New Fort at Mesquita Point was demolished, 'many Houses were blown down, Roofs and Piazzas 'blown off, and all the Wharfs of this Town, Port-'Royal and Passage Fort destroy'd, and a great Part of 'the Goods thereon washed away. It is not easy to 'conceive what a Surprize appeared in the Countenances 'of the Inhabitants: But the Damage in the Harbour 'far exceeded that on the Shore: For Eight of his 'Majesty's Ships and Vessels, and ninety-six Merchant-'men were stranded, wreck'd and founder'd; and out of '105 Sail, only his Majesty's Ship the Rippon rode it 'out, and she without Masts.

'The People in Port Royal were terribly afraid of a 'Deluge, the Town being two or three Feet over-'flowed from the Harbour, and the Sea threatning De-'struction, which the Wall happily prevented; but 'they have received great Damages in their Houses, &c.

'In the Country, several Plantations, Houses, 'Works, &c. were destroy'd; many People, both 'White and Black, drown'd, and Cattle, Sheep, Poul-'try, and great Quantities of Provisions destroy'd by 'the irresistable Fury of the Tempest, and Rapidity of 'the overflowing Rivers; of which we cannot yet give 'any particular Account.

'*A List of his Majesty's Ships that were damag'd or lost.*

'The Prince of Orange, Bonnetta, Thunder Bomb, 'wreck'd, People sav'd; the Montague a-ground, 'not bulg'd, lost her Masts, People sav'd; Rippon 'rides without Masts; St. Albans and Experience a-'ground, but Hopes of getting off, People sav'd; Green-'wich sunk, Capt. Allen, Lieutenant Battersworth, and 'about 70 Men drown'd; Lark Hull sunk, about 20 'white Men and 90 Negroes drown'd.

From the London Gazette.

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